

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH.

The Rector, The Rev. M. W. Hunnybun.
The Rectory, Braunston. (Tel. Rugby 890235)

March 7th 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parade Service, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer.
" 14th 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion, 6.30 p.m. "
" 21st 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Special Mothering Sunday Service
with the children from the School.
" 28th 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion, 6.30 pm. Evening Prayer.

Every Sunday we provide a creche for young children, with Sunday Schools (Climbers and Explorers) meeting each week with the exception of the first Sunday of the month. Why not come as a family?

Since the time of the previous Rector, Braunston has been included as a member of the Daventry and District Council of Churches. This Lent the Council will give a series of talks on the theme: "What is the Church?". These are being held every Wednesday evening in the Daventry Methodist Church at 7.30 p.m. Should you require transport please contact the Rector.

On Sundays during Lent the Rector will preach a series of sermons entitled "Things are not what they seem to be!". The topic on February 28th will be "The Church is not a Church" - March 7th "The Altar is not an Altar" - March 14th "The Priest is not a Priest" - March 28th "The Layman is not a Layman".

SIDESWEN'S ROTA

March 7th	8 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
" 14th	Mr. W. Woodall	Mr. G. Bayley/Mr. C. Dunn	Mr. F. Cox/Mr. D. Gallie
" 21st	Mr. L. Thompson	Mr. B. Dawson/Mr. D. Foulkes	Mr. E. Clarke/Mr. J. Green
" 28th	Mr. D. Gallie	Mr. P. Surman/Mr. E. Jones	Mr. P. Green/Mr. J. Rowley
	Mr. W. Montgomery	Mr. E. Hyde/Mr. C. Dunn.	Mr. B. Dawson/Mr. D. Foulkes.

ALTAR FLOWERS

March 7th	High Altar	St. Giles
" 14th	Mrs. B. Johnson	Mrs. D. Maltby
" 21st	Mrs. B. Johnson	Mrs. D. Maltby
" 28th	Mrs. J. Bradshaw	Mrs. V. Beckett
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FUNERALS

February 3rd Mr. John (Jack) GURNEY
" 4th Miss Mary HERNE

We send our love and deepest sympathy to all members of their families at this time of their sad loss.

Church Members please note! The A.G.M. of the Church will be held once again in the Village Centre, on Tuesday, 30th March, at 7.30 p.m. Do come so that we may be able to review the past and go forward together into another new year.

BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION. Continuing this year's theme of "Increase your Faith" our speaker on Thursday, 4th March, will be the Rev. John Myer from Daventry Methodist Church. As usual we meet at the Rectory - 2.30 p.m. All welcome.

MOTHERS AND TODDLERS. We meet every Thursday morning, between 10 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. in the Village Centre. Come and join us for a coffee and a chat!

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB. On Monday, 8th March, our speaker will be Dr. I.D. Mackichan, of Braunston. On Monday, 22nd March, the Church of England Children's Society activities will be explained by one of their speakers.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE. The bad weather stopped most activities planned for December, but we managed to sing in the Church, and actually won one of our Darts Matches. There was no formal meeting in January but friends were invited to join us for an excellent buffet meal and entertainment by the Rugby Police Concert Party on the 30th. In February we watched and listened enthralled when Irene Milburne - who must be our most travelled member - showed film and described her trip "Overland to Khatmandu". March brings a knitting machine demonstration - do come along on the 2nd - we shall also have a "Bring and Buy" that evening.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION. During the past month, Association members have planted several more trees around the village. These have been well protected, where necessary, against cattle, and, we hope, against vandals. If you should see a newly planted tree that has been damaged will you please report it to any member of the Committee. Fertilizer sales each Sunday at the Village Centre, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, will commence again on 7th March. Please bring a bag or container for your purchases.

BRAUNSTON PARISH COUNCIL. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 5th April, at 8 p.m. in the Village Centre. Agenda will include Charity Accounts, reports of County Council, District Council, and Parish Council. Gardens Association, Village Centre, and Playing Fields Association, Twinning and Bus Services.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE CENTRE. As from the 1st February, 1982, charges for the Village Hall have been increased by 25p. per hour. All-day bookings will be £25. The next meeting, at which all are welcome, will be on Tuesday, 16th March, at 8.00 p.m.

REGIONAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM SCANNER APPEAL. Kathy and John Bown of the "Old Plough" wish to thank all their friends and customers who took part in any way towards the fund raising effort for the above appeal. The sum of £1,130 has been raised to date.

VILLAGE NOTES. The study of birds has fascinated people for generations. To watch these feathered creatures requires endless patience and perseverance. No sooner has the observer's telescope or binoculars caught sight of the quarry than it disappears behind a leafy branch or into a hole in the tree. However - birds on the open water of a reservoir, lake or pond, do not always make for a reed bed or rock unless frightened by a noise, or too close an approach.

Ducks are a study in themselves. The male Mallard, with his beautiful bottle green head and neck, and his brown lady are often seen on the canal, accompanied at the right season by perhaps 10 chicks. Sometimes a Pintail duck has been seen to fly overhead. Other varieties may be seen on open waters in this area - the Pochard - with chestnut coloured head and neck - swims around - and the Tufted Duck makes a point of diving and reappearing some distance from where he disappeared. The Shoveller receives his name from his bill - shaped like a shovel and used to search in the mud for his meals. All these birds may be seen on reservoirs near Braunston - but the would-be watcher must observe the rule laid down by one of the great bird observers, Earl Grey, of Fallodon - "study to be quiet".

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